



## Architect's Office at the Capitol

### FIFTY A DAY ARE REFUSED

Applicants Must Be on the Commission's Little List—Men With a Strong Pull, Though, Will Be Needed to Help House Some Immense Machinery—Progressive Improvement.

At last the employees of the Capitol have been brought into the civil service law. The commission has been busy since the last order made by President Cleveland trying to arrange the classes of workmen at the Capitol. They have about finished that task now and the applicant for a place there is turned down each time unless he has a certificate from the commission. Even then he must show that he is on the list of eligibles and has his proper number.

The work of repairing which is going on up on the hill has caused every man in the city who is out of employment to seek a position there. As many as fifty men a day apply for places. A number of them are mechanics, with the best of recommendations, and they are glad to get even a laborer's job. But all are refused and no one stands any chance now. He must go to the Civil Service Commission.

## IMMENSE MACHINERY

Some of the improvements which are being added on the Senate side comprise immense pieces of machinery. Today work will be begun on the foundation for the dynamo and the remainder of the new electric light plant. The dynamo is a 3,000-light one and is joined to the same shaft with the engine. The weight of the entire plant will be about fifteen tons.

To support this immense piece of machinery it is necessary to lay the heaviest piece of iron that has ever come into a Capitol building. No one piece of any material approaching it in weight has ever been carried into the building.

A cast-iron plate, weighing 19,000 pounds, will be laid on the floor. It is to rest on a solid concrete foundation, 10 feet deep, 24 feet long, and 10 feet wide. It is to be placed in the room adjoining the present dynamo room of the Senate. To protect the walls from any vibration, the foundation is laid on a bed of sand and packed in with sand, thus acting as a cushion.

It will be no easy job to get this immense iron plate in place. The plate will be delivered at the northeast corner of the Capitol and a track will be built around the north terrace and a part of the west terrace. The plate will be rolled in by the use of rollers. It will take at least twenty men to push it.

A huge derrick is to be erected in the courtyard on the Senate side, and the plate will be lowered to the level of the terrace corridor. It will be run into the dynamo room on a truck. The rollers will be carried by the derrick and the rollers will be used to protect the walls. The great engine and dynamo will be brought in the same way. In all it will take a week to get these three pieces into place. It is expected that it will be done without the displacing of a brick.

## WIRING AND PAINTING

Work on the laying of wires for the lamps in the new building will be begun next week. The contractors will begin digging up the grounds Monday and expect to have all the wires laid within two weeks. The wiring on the inside of the building is progressing rapidly. In the Senate the iron frames for the floors of the new building are being put down, and will be ready for the flooring next week.

## RECORD OF THE COURTS

Equity Court, No. 1. Justice Cole in re estate of James Fortune, lunatic; sale authorized and reference ordered. Koeller vs. Fortune, 300.00. Reference confirmed. Roache vs. Hyland; reference authorized to pay \$175 to United Security Life Insurance and Trust Company of Pennsylvania. Transferred to Equity Court.

Probate Court—Justice Cole—Estate of Henry L. Crawford; will filed. Estate of Ellen M. Rogers; petition filed. Estate of George C. Green; account passed. Estate of Matilda F. Gilbert; account passed. Estate of Theodore C. Barber; will filed. Estate of Pauline Heller; will fully proved. Estate of John W. Heller; affidavit filed. John E. Kelly, guardian; petition filed. Henry F. Schomborn; petition filed.

## Real Estate Transfers

George N. Beale et ux to the District of Columbia, lot 1, block 11, Bloomingdale, \$6,000.  
William J. Dugan et ux to Joseph Fish, one-half of lots 21 and 22, of plat made by B. D. Carpenter, all right and interest in said lots, together with the interest therein, recorded in deed 1631, lot 102, subject to mortgage, \$10. Subject to trust.

William J. Dugan et ux, John A. Butler, Jr., and Ellen V. Fish to Joseph Fish, lot 18, of a plat made by B. D. Carpenter, Peters' Mill, \$10.  
United Columbia to Emily F. Fort, to part of sub. lot 2, square 566, \$10.92. Tax deed.

Emily F. Fort to Susanah A. Crandell, part of sub. lot 2, square 566, \$1. Made correct bill, 2088, lot 220.

Frank Hume and Nicholas H. Shea, executors, to Christian Schmidt, sub. lot 1, of a plat made by B. D. Carpenter, Peters' Mill, \$10.  
Lewis J. Ifft et ux to David L. McKnight, sub. lot 3, block 5, Le Roy Park, \$10. Subject to trust.

John S. Swormstedt and Brainerd H. Warner, trustees, to Sophia Aigler, lot 47, square 566, in deed 1631, lot 102, \$2.91.  
Mark E. Ward et ux to Joseph B. Lanahan, lot 68, square 566, in deed 1631, lot 102, \$2,850. Subject to trust, \$2,000.

G. A. B. Encampment via B. & O.

## Excursion Tickets to the Sea Shore

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